

Table 1. New One-Family Houses Sold, For Sale, and Months' Supply at Current Sales Rate

(Number of houses in thousands)

Month and year	Houses sold during period					Houses for sale at end of period					Months' supply at current sales rate/1
	United States	North-east	Midwest	South	West	United States	North-east	Midwest	South	West	
1998: December 1999: January February March April May June July August September/r October/r November/r December/p	1a. Seasonally adjusted (houses sold at annual rate)										
	958	84	177	438	259	295					3.8
	908	83	149	408	268	295					4.0
	909	79	178	440	212	297					3.9
	885	77	158	395	255	300					4.1
	952	81	177	422	272	300					3.8
	914	70	178	422	245	304					4.1
	932	65	167	430	270	306					3.9
	929	84	176	425	245	305					4.0
	912	85	193	384	250	307					4.2
	860	77	167	386	230	311					4.5
	919	75	200	385	259	315					4.2
	861	54	177	378	251	318					4.5
	900	104	137	405	255	322					4.4
	Average relative standard error (%)	4	19	12	6	7	3				
1998 1999/p 											

See footnotes below Table 2.

Table 2. Median and Mean Sales Prices

(Dollars. Includes value of improved lot)

Month and year	Median	Mean	Month and year	Median	Mean
1998	152,500	181,900	1999: November/r	170,000	212,100
1999/p	159,800	194,000	December/p	160,900	200,500
1998: December	152,500	183,300	Average relative standard error		
1999: September/r	162,000	194,400	Annual(%)	2	2
October/r	159,100	199,600	Monthly(%)	4	2

p Preliminary. r Revised. X Not applicable.

1/Ratio of houses for sale to houses sold.

Average relative standard error (Avg. RSE): Annual - Avg. RSE for the last 2 years. Year to date - Avg. RSE for the current period and the same period last year.

Monthly - Avg. RSE for the latest 6 month period (January-June or July-December).